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510(k) Premarket Notification

K013282

GORE® Introducer Sheath

Premarket Notification 510(k) Summary

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Date Prepared: October 1, 2001

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B. Device Name: GORE® Introducer Sheath

C. Applicant Device Description:

The GORE Introducer Sheath is designed to provide easy access to the vascular system while providing convenient temporary closure of the access site during catheter exchanges. The device allows introduction of angiographic catheters, balloon catheters, other relevant catheters, guidewires and endovascular devices into a vessel. The GORE Introducer Sheath is composed of biocompatible materials and is provided sterile.

The GORE Introducer Sheath is comprised of the introducer sheath and dilator. The introducer sheath is composed of a sheath, sheath hub and cap, and hemostasis valve. The dilator is composed of a dilator tube and dilator valve body.

D. Predicate Device:

The currently marketed FAST-CATH™ Hemostasis Introducer manufactured by St. Jude Medical, DAIG Division is cited as the predicate device which has been found to be substantially equivalent through the premarket notification process.

E. Applicant Device Labeling:

Like the predicate device, the applicant device is indicated for the introduction of guidewires, catheters and other interventional medical devices into the vasculature, and to minimize blood loss associated with such introduction.

F. Technological Characteristics:

The technological characteristics of the applicant device are substantially equivalent to those of the predicate device. The applicant device is manufactured using the same manufacturing process, the same biocompatible materials, the same quality specifications, the same packaging materials and process and the same sterilization process as the predicate device.

G. Safety and Effectiveness Conclusions:

This submission represents only a slight modification to the Instructions For Use for the applicant device as compared to the currently marketed predicate device. Therefore, the similarities between the applicant and predicate device are numerous. These equivalencies combine to justify a substantially equivalent determination.

No new types of safety and effectiveness questions are raised by the applicant device when compared to the predicate device.

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FAST-CATH™ and DAIG are trademarks of St. Jude Medical, DAIG Division.



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Re: K013282
GORE® Introducer Sheath
Regulation Number: 870.1340
Regulation Name: Catheter introducer.
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: DBY
Dated: October 1, 2001
Received: October 2, 2001

Dear Mr. Pratt:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.

Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); good manufacturing practice requirements as set

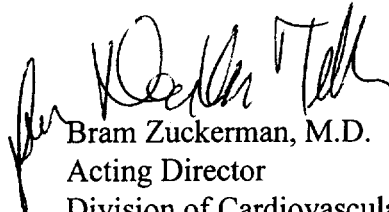
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forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820); and if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your Section 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 21 CFR Part 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4586. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR Part 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its Internet address <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bram Zuckerman", is written over the typed name.

Bram Zuckerman, M.D.

Acting Director

Division of Cardiovascular and
Respiratory Devices

Office of Device Evaluation

Center for Devices and

Radiological Health

Enclosure

510(k) Number (if known): K013282


Device Name: GORE® Introducer Sheath

Indications For Use:

The GORE® Introducer Sheath is used to facilitate the introduction of guidewires, catheters and other interventional medical devices into the vasculature, and to minimize blood loss associated with such introduction.

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)


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Prescription Use ☒
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR

Over-The-Counter Use _____